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SUBJECT: WEEKLY STATUS REPORT - EA/RA

TO: EA - MR. OAKLEY, ACTING

FROM: EA/RA - PAUL M. CLEVELAND

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1. EA JOINS OTHER REGIONAL BUREAUS IN OPPOSING ADDITIONAL  
HR REPORTING (CONFIDENTIAL)

WE PREPARED A MEMORANDUM WHICH YOU SENT UP TO MR.  
CHRISTOPHER MAY 24, REBUTTING HA RECOMMENDATIONS FOR  
ADDITIONAL PERIODIC (MONTHLY) REPORTING FROM THE FIELD  
ON HUMAN RIGHTS, AS WELL AS REPORTS FROM OUR EMBASSIES  
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ON HR DEVELOPMENTS DURING THE PAST SIX MONTHS FOR USE  
DURING THE BUDGET PROCESS. WE UNDERSTAND THE OTHER RE-  
GIONAL BUREAUS HAVE DONE THE SAME. NOTING THAT WE ARE  
RECEIVING CURRENT AND THOROUGH REPORTING AND ANALYSIS,  
(EA POSTS SENT IN OVER 110 HR REPORTS IN APRIL), WE  
ARGUED THAT THE ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS WOULD BE REDUNDANT.  
WE ALSO POINTED OUT THAT THE BUREAU HAS PREPARED A SERIES

OF HR REVIEWS FOR VARIOUS PURPOSES WHICH WITH MINOR UP-DATING CAN BE USED DURING THE BUDGET PROCESS. WE INTERPOSED NO OBJECTION TO AN HA PROPOSAL FOR COUNTRY SUMMARIES OF HUMAN RIGHTS ACTIONS WHICH HAVE BEEN TAKEN AND ARE PLANNED BUT INDICATED WE WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A CLEARER IDEA OF WHAT IS WANTED, FOR WHAT PURPOSE, BEFORE PROCEEDING.

2. MUNITIONS CONTROL CASES (CONFIDENTIAL)

THE NUMBER OF MUNITIONS CONTROL LICENSE APPLICATIONS FOR EA COUNTRIES WHICH HAS BEEN BLOCKED BY HA SINCE LAST OCTOBER HAS NOW REACHED THIRTY-EIGHT. THE EA LIST INCLUDES BOTH POLICE AND MILITARY EQUIPMENT ITEMS FOR KOREA, THE ROC, HONG KONG, THE PHILIPPINES, SINGAPORE, THAILAND AND INDONESIA. WE ARE NOT ONLY OPPOSED TO HA'S REJECTIONS BUT ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THE AD HOC NATURE OF THE PROCESS WHEREBY HA HAS BEEN ABLE TO HOLD UP SOME ITEMS TO SOME COUNTRIES ON ITS OWN AND THE LACK OF GENERAL POLICY GUIDANCE IN THIS FIELD. WE ARE PREPARING A MEMORANDUM TO THE SEVENTH FLOOR ON THIS PROBLEM.

3. SSOD GETS UNDERWAY (SECRET/NOFORN)

THE SSOD OPENED IN NEW YORK TUESDAY AND THE VICE PRESIDENT

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DENT SPEAKS FOR US TODAY. GENERAL DEBATE IS SCHEDULED TO RUN THROUGH JUNE 9.

THE TWO POSSIBLE US INITIATIVES DISCUSSED IN OUR REPORT LAST WEEK HAVE NOW BEEN DROPPED. IT WAS DECIDED THAT RATHER THAN PUT FORWARD A NEW NEGATIVE SECURITY ASSURANCE FORMULA WE WOULD REAFFIRM THE PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT TO THE GA LAST OCTOBER.

WE DECIDED AGAINST THE NUCLEAR ACCIDENTS PROPOSAL WHEN THE CHINESE RESPONDED TO OUR APPROACH TO THEM ON THIS SUBJECT BY STATING THAT PEKING DOES NOT INTEND TO PARTICIPATE IN SUCH AN AGREEMENT AND THINKS THAT IT WOULD NOT BE CONDUCTIVE TO LESSENING THE DANGER OF NUCLEAR WAR.

4. HIGH LEVEL GA ATTENDANCE (CONFIDENTIAL)

SINCE OUR EARLIER LISTING OF HIGH LEVEL EA ATTENDANCE AT THE SSOD WE HAVE LEARNED THAT VICE FOREIGN MINISTER IENG SARY WILL BE COMING TO NEW YORK AS WILL NORTH KOREAN VICE FOREIGN MINISTER LEE, THE LATTER REPORTEDLY TO ATTEND THE NAM MEETING ON DISARMAMENT IN NEW YORK. AUSTRALIAN

PM FRASER'S OFF AND ON PLANS FOR A NEW YORK VISIT ARE NOW ON FOR JUNE 1 UNTIL EITHER JUNE 6 OR 7. HE INTENDS TO ADDRESS THE SSOD AND ALSO TO MEET WITH LEADING BUSINESS-MEN.

5. HAVANA NAM MEETING ENDS (SECRET)

AT THIS WRITING WE HAVE ONLY FRAGMENTARY REPORTS ON THE OUTCOME OF THE NAM BUREAU MEETING IN HAVANA. THERE WERE REPORTEDLY A NUMBER OF RESERVATIONS TO SEVERAL PARAGRAPHS IN THE BUREAU'S COMMUNIQUE, BUT THE YUGOSLAVS, WHO ALONG WITH THE INDIANS, ARE SAID TO HAVE PLAYED A MODERATING ROLE, HAVE TOLD US THEY FEEL THE FINAL DOCUMENT WAS ONE  
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OF THE MOST MODERATE IN RECENT YEARS. THE SOUTH KOREANS, HOWEVER, BELIEVE THERE ARE A NUMBER OF PHRASES ON THE KOREAN ISSUE WHICH MAKE THIS FORMULATION FAR WORSE THAN IN EARLIER YEARS. ON THE PLUS SIDE THERE APPARENTLY WERE EIGHT RESERVATIONS TO THE KOREAN PARAGRAPH: INDIA, INDONESIA, SRI LANKA, PERU, ZAIRE, LIBERIA, CHAD AND NIGER.

A PARAGRAPH ON EAST TIMOR REAFFIRMING THE RIGHT OF THE PEOPLE THERE TO SELF-DETERMINATION ALSO DREW RESERVATIONS FROM INDONESIA, INDIA, IRAQ, PERU AND ZAIRE. BANGLADESH AND MALAYSIA, BOTH OBSERVERS, OPPOSED.

WE KNOW OF NO SPECIFIC REFERENCE TO GUAM BUT THERE IS REPORTEDLY LANGUAGE OPPOSING MILITARY BASES IN NON-SELF-GOVERNING TERRITORIES.

6. PRE-GA CONSULTATIONS IN EAST ASIA (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE)

PRESENT, BUT NOT ENTIRELY FIRM, PLANS CALL FOR THIS YEAR'S EA PRE-GA CONSULTATIONS TO BE UNDERTAKEN BY USUN AMBASSADOR MCHENRY IN THE LATTER PART OF JULY. VISITS ARE TO INCLUDE THE ASEAN STATES PLUS JAPAN, THE LATTER STOP TO COVER THE ANNUAL US-JAPAN PRE-GA TALKS. BILL MAYNES MAY ALSO BE PRESENT FOR THE TOKYO CONVERSATIONS. POSTS WILL BE GIVEN MORE PRECISE INFORMATION AS SOON AS PLANS HAVE JELLED MORE FULLY. CHRISTOPHER

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